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Interview:

SITE: MURD INC.

NAME: LT. CHARLES CROWTHER  
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Fire Dept.  
3rd and Springgarden  
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DATE OF INTERVIEW: 4-2-91  
TIME OF INTERVIEW: 1:30pm  
LOCATION OF INTERVIEW:  
3rd and Springgarden

INTERVIEWED BY:  
CI/ Lawrence H. Richardson

WE ARE QUESTIONING YOU CONCERNING: The Murd Site, located at 2314 N. American Street, Philadelphia PA.

On the above date and time Lt. Charles Crowther stated that he is a lieutenant with the Philadelphia Fire Department Hazardous Material Team . Lt. Crowther stated the following concerning the Murd Site.

The Murd Company filed a Chapter 7 bankruptcy on 4-18-90. Murd was in the business of resale chemicals. The owner of the company was Arthur Haines. There are presently two corporations located at the site.

1. Care Laboratories Inc. The principal owner is Tom McPhelmy, 1017 Bingham Street, Philadelphia PA. Phone 677 2144, and Arthur Haines.

2. Grantenescio Inc., principal owner, Cam Giusti, Dr. Swartz and Arthur Haines. The company manufactures deodorant pellets.

Lt. Crowther stated that the Philadelphia Fire Department Hazardous Material Team inspected the site on January 28, 1991 (see attached report) He stated that there were approximately 400 to 500 drums on the site. He observed that there were EPA marking on the drums. Some of the drums had EZ written on the sides.

Lt. Crowther stated that on the date of the inspection he saw Ed Sakrocki III at the site property. Ed Zakrocki had a container of benzene. It is not known what happened to the benzene.

Lt. Crowther stated that the drums at the site came from EZ chemical site, and that some of those drums made there way to a company called Evergreen Inc., located on Front Street in Camden NJ. Evergreen INC. was formerly called "F. Albert Company, located at 937 N Front street , Philadelphia Pa. The principal owner is Terry McCann. 2635 Edgemount Street, Philadelphia PA 19106. It is believed that McCann is the owner of Evergreen Inc. McCann is the subject of an NJ. DEP Investigation .

Lt Crowther stated that it appears that the parties involved with EZ and MURD are transferring chemicals from site to site.. That is from EZ to 937 N Front and to Evergreen INC.

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On January 28th 1991 , a cease operations order was issued to Care Laboratories because of spills at the site. The order was issued by the Department of License and inspection. Care was allowed to reopen by L&I.

Lt. Crowther stated that their concerns were :  
The companies at the site have no use for the drums of chemical.  
The drums are stores improperly.  
The identity of the present owner of the property.  
Is there a relationship between Evergreen , EZ,,Murd, Care Laboratories and Tenesco Inc.

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